by my order or knowledge. That no such men have ever been prisoners at this Post, and that I know nothing whatever of the affair.

(Signed)

G. W. LEE, Comdg. Post, and P. M.

STATE OF NORTH-CAROLINA, Executive Department, Raleigh, April 21, 1863.

Col. Mallett,

Comdq. Camp Holmes:

Col.:—The following named persons, placed in my hands by Col. Martin, and sent to your camp for safe keeping, having been retained some three months, and no charges of any kind appearing against them as required by law, you are hereby requested to set at liberty, viz:

Henry Hamberry, Green Manson, W. Jackson, Joshua Lufton, Wm. Hodges, Charney Kengan, E. H. Gerkins, M.

L. Strausberry and W. A. Foreman.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed)

Z. B. VANCE.

Conscript Office, Camp Holmes, May 18, 1863.

Hon. Z. B. WANCE,

Governor of North-Carolina,

Raleigh, N. C.,:

Sin:—I have the honor to enclose herewith copy of instructions of the 11th inst. from the Bureau of Conscription,